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Hong Kong, 11th July 1888.

The Hongkong Telegraph

PUBLISHED TUESDAY JULY 17, 1888.

Nothing has in our opinion more effectively contributed towards frightening cholera out of our shores than the wrangling and the acrimonious controversy in which our morning and evening oracles have been pleased to engage since the first report was heard of the appearance of microbes in this colony. What with pretended alarms on the one side and demonstrations of assurance on the other, the public has been in a position to form a correct idea of how things stood, what the dread epidemics had really involved the island, or only a mild variation of it had visited us. The Government Gazette only gave us the dry logic of figures by which it was quite as clearly ascertained that choleraic diarrhoea had been of long standing among the native community. There this information stopped, and but for the detailed account of the manner of death of some European members of the community, published in the local papers, one would still be at a loss to know to what extent the disease had affected us, or what were its characteristic symptoms. That the disorder assumed alarming proportions during last month, there can be no manner of doubt, just as it is certain that at present it is quietly but surely leaving these shores. While the number of deaths from choleraic complaints registered for the week ended June 30th amounted to 73, those which occurred during the following week only reached 56, which we consider to be a very favourable decline. In the meantime we would ask our morning and evening contemporaries—*qui bene indigunt* in the morbid taste of quarrelling over a departing microbe? Will any amount of wrangling over a threatened epidemic prevent its spread? Why not publish hints, preventative remedies or curative treatments of the malady, for the benefit of both the European and the Chinese communities rather than inflame the columns of the two newspapers with the blatant verbosity of mutual abuse and recrimination!

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter.)

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, July 15th.

The Right Honourable W. H. Smith has given notice that on Monday he will move for a special committee of inquiry into the Times charges against the Parnells.

(From Straits Times.)

PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, July 15th.

In the House of Commons Mr. Parnell absolutely disavowed the letters produced at the late trial of O'Donnell *versus* The Times.

A resolution in favor of the payment of Members of the House of Commons was rejected by a majority of fifty-seven.

Mr. Gladstone voted with the minority.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA.

BERLIN, July 8th.

The Emperor embarks for St. Petersburg on Friday next for Kiel. The Imperial yacht will be commanded by Prince Heinrich, and Count Herbert Bismarck will accompany the Emperor. Five ironclads will escort the yacht.

ZULULAND.

LONDON, July 9th.

Disorders in Zululand are becoming more serious and the rebellion is spreading.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THREE sharp shocks of earthquake were felt at Tientsin early in the morning of the 6th instant.

WITH the return of more favorable weather the Circus performances are re-commencing. To-night the company re-opens, and a programme of novelties is promised.

TO-DAY, eight Chinamen, the crew of a ballast boat, were fined by Mr. Wodehouse a dollar each for being concerned in throwing ballast and rubbish into the harbour on the 16th inst.

THE *Parthia*, from Yokohama, 24th June, arrived at Vancouver on the 6th inst., i.e. in twelve days; thus beating the record across the Pacific.

SAVES THE *Shanghai Mercury*.—The Russian steamer *Petersburg*, the last tea steamer of the season from Hankow, passed on the 11th inst. at 5.30 p.m., with New Season's Tea for Odessa. She has also 596 Russian soldiers on board.

WE have to acknowledge with thanks a copy of the Annual Report on the Botanical and Afforestation Department for the year 1887, by Mr. C. Ford, F.L.S., Superintendent of one of the most important branches of public service in this colony.

IN reply to a correspondent the meaning of the Japanese word "Maru" as applied to steamers is "ship" or "vessel." The *Ly-c-moon* ran as a screw steamer in Australia—at least that was her construction when we saw her in Moreton Bay three years ago.

AN YOUNG MAN, 66, of Sun-ai, a cook, was brought before Mr. Wodehouse this morning, charged by the opium officers with selling the drug without a license. The case being proved, he was fined \$75, but being unable to ante up was sent into retirement for six weeks.

THE *N. C. Daily News* learns from a special telegram to the *Japan Mail*, that the *Impetuous* arrived at Nagasaki on the 5th inst., but as she had had one fatal case of cholera on board, the men were not allowed to land, and she was to proceed to Yokohama after coaling.

SAVES THE *Chinese Times*.—Sir John Walsham, H.M.'s Minister, has given his consent to the agreement made between our Municipal Council and the French Consulate for supplying water to the settlement. It is hoped that a similar arrangement may be made for the French Concession.

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THE Band of the 2nd Northamptonshire Regiment will play at the Officers' Mess, Murray Barracks, this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock. The following will be the programme:—

A CHINESE boy aged 18, appeared to-day before Mr. Wodehouse charged with stealing flowers from the Government Gardens. The complainant, Chung Ping, one of the gardeners, proved seeing the boy pick the flowers and arresting him. The accused admitted having flowers, but said he picked them elsewhere. He was fined two dollars, or in default of payment to go up for fourteen days.

THE *Hu Pao* says:—The Viceroy and Governor of Canton, being convinced of the extreme utility of the telephone, have decided to have a connection established between their respective Yamen, in order to obviate the waste of time incurred by the necessity of going to and fro for the purpose of consultation on public business. The instruments have arrived from America and will be connected by the course of a few days. Our correspondent seems to think it will prove a benefit to the Canton community as the two high officers will be better able to confer with each other on matters affecting the interests of the people.

THE woman who lately had four children at a birth at a small town in Texas cannot "come to tea," just yet, with Edith Bonham, a native of the "old country." In Aubrey's *Natural History of Wiltshire* we find an account of this Mrs. Bonham, who died in 1473. The first children she had were twins, and after an interval of seven years she had as many as seven at once. It is recorded in the parish register, that all the seven children were brought together to the font of the church and there baptised. The Americans are no doubt "smart," as they claim to be, but this record they have not yet beaten, with all their patients.

SAVES THE *Japan Gazette* of the 7th inst. —At an early hour this morning the dead body of Mr. H. Walter, the marshal of the German consulate, was found in the Creek near the Nishi-no-hashi. Upon examination no traces of violence were found on the body, the only mark being a small bruise near the left eye. The deceased was seen alive at midnight by several people. It is presumed that he must have fallen over the boundary chains, probably striking some obstacle in the water which would account for the bruise on his face. Mr. Walter had been engaged at the German Consulate for over four years.

THUS the *Chinese Times*—Signs have been given that the constant residence in the capital of the British Minister, at least, is unwelcome to British subjects, and it is hoped that next year he may see his way to personal conference. An annual visit to the treaty ports should be rather a relaxation than a burden to H.M. Minister, and as the Foreign Office invariably sends to China a first Secretary of more than average ability—written Messrs. Malet, Connolly, Croxson, O'Connor, Goschen, Howard—there are reasons why H.M. Minister should at least once a year confer with the people in the various treaty ports with whose care he is charged.

THE Indian Tea Districts Association give interesting statistics in their annual report just issued. The increase in the home consumption of British-grown tea is very striking. The tea exported consists almost wholly of China, but the proportion cannot be specified, as no distinction is made in the Custom House returns between India and China tea. The following are the quantities in lbs. for the past three seasons (June 1 to May 31):—

DELIVERIES OFF HOME CONSUMPTION.

	1886-7	1887-8	1888-9
India	6,700,000	7,500,000	8,000,000
Ceylon	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
China	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Total	8,700,000	9,500,000	10,000,000

THE highest temperature at Sicawei on the 12th inst. was 101.1 deg. On the 10th, the temperature in the shade at Hankow was 102 deg.

SOON after daylight this morning a sailing boat containing an old woman and two boys, was capsized in a squall near Kellett Island. The gust threw the boat completely bottom up, and when assistance arrived the woman was found to have been drowned under the boat. The two boys escaped by swimming.

JAPAN papers state that the potters of Kioto are going to erect an enduring monument to their skill. They are about to build within the precincts of the Kyomizu Temple, a pyramidal block eleven feet high, standing on a pedestal, the latter decorated with blue *glaze* *couverts*, and the whole surrounded by a porcelain balustrade decorated with enamels. Large hanging lanterns of porcelain will be added by Kanzan and Zoroku, and the whole is expected to be finished by the autumn of 1890.

THIS morning two coolies appeared before Mr. Sercombe Smith charged on remand with stealing clothing valued at \$11 the property of one Tam-Chi on the 28th May last. The defendants were committed for trial on 26th June last, but their case was to-day referred back to be dealt with summarily. As the prisoners had nothing to say they were sentenced to six months hard labour and to be kept in solitary confinement during the first and last 100 days of their imprisonment. Previous convictions for larceny stood in the police books against the names of both culprits.

THE *Chinese Times* reports that during the first week this month at least three parcels of camels' wool came in from Mongolia. One parcel had only 8 per cent. of sand, the second parcel about 12 per cent., and the third about 20 per cent., thus showing great improvement. Some parcels of straw had also come in from the country, with which no fault can be found. The make is good, the length is right, and the braid is fairly regular and sound throughout, thus showing a decided improvement. In these parcels there is not one faulty bundle. It is said our estimate of 40,000 bales of braid in stock and near at hand is excessive. Some merchants estimate it as 30,000, others at 30,000 to 31,000. Prices are now very low, but until the trade is thoroughly purified from fraud few foreigners will venture to engage in it without taking extraordinary and most tiresome precautions.

AT an investigation recently held at San Francisco by Inspectors Tabbot and Hilman, on the loss of the O. & S. S. *San Pablo*, off Turnabout, on the 18th April, the ship's officers were found to have exerted themselves to the utmost and were exonerated from blame. The following certificate was given to Captain Reed, master of the *San Pablo*, by the Inspectors:—

Office of U. S. Inspectors of Steam Vessels, San Francisco, June 10, 1888.

Sir, In the matter of the loss of the steamship *San Pablo*, under your command, April 18th last, upon investigation of the testimony taken, we find that you were on that occasion navigating said steamer carefully. We find that you took all the precautions which a prudent and experienced captain would take, and that the loss of the vessel was due to causes beyond your control. We find that you were not negligent, and that you were not responsible for the loss of the vessel. We find that you were not negligent, and that you were not responsible for the loss of the vessel. We find that you were not negligent, and that you were not responsible for the loss of the vessel.

THE *Hu Pao* says:—We have received the following letter from the Mok-Lun K'wai-ch'wan Kong-ze, "Wooden-wheel fast-boat Company," with reference to our article of 7th July:—Dear Sir, It is well known all over the country that last year the High Provincial Authorities vetoed the traffic of small steamers plying between Soochow and Shanghai, and no one has ventured to run his cart in the old rut since. The wooden-wheel fast-boats of this Company, however, are entirely driven by *man-power* (*jin tick*) exactly on the same system as that by which our country people navigate the fields, i.e. the tread-mill system. About the end of the fourth month while a trial trip was being made at Wooning, one of your editors was present, and he wrote an article on it pointing out three advantages. As your valuable journal now mentions our boats in connection with steamers it appears as if the reporter had not seen them at Soochow, and as we are anxious that the public should be under no misapprehension with regard to our system, we shall be obliged if you will kindly insert this letter, so that the proper distinction may be made between our restful and steamers. During the few months that our Company has been in existence, we have avoided anything like concealment of our modes of action, and our wheel-boats did not need to run till after the due sanction received from the Chief Authorities of the Province.

"DOROTHY" AT THE CITY HALL.

Every seat was booked for the opening performance by the American Musical Comedy and Opera Company last night. Cellier's "Dorothy" was the production which was to test the capabilities of the company and, taken all round, the verdict was extremely favorable. "Dorothy" is hardly the gem of the company's repertoire; it is built in the conventional style, has no "catching" melodies in it, and the plot is of the flimsiest description. On the other hand it is well-acted, well sung, and admirably staged. Let us give our opinion right here—the Company is a really good one. The honors with respect to vocalization go pretty evenly divided; Miss Maude Harg, (*Dorothy*) possesses a trained soprano voice, of considerable range, and acts with freedom and unconstraint. As her companion in mischief, Lydia Hawthorne, Miss Flo Morrison quite charmed everyone. In the words of one of the audience, "she's a real daisy." Her pleasant contralto voice was heard to advantage in several duets and quartets, and her arch coquetry and natural grace gained her many admirers. Miss Grace Whiteford, as *Phyllis*, had an appropriate part to sustain. She was just the pretty, pouting, Minnie Palmer sort of a girl which was intended to represent, and she sings as sweetly as she acts. Miss Eva Leamington's lines are cast in less pleasant places; she has to seem a smirking, attenuated "Lady Jane" who flirts with the sheriff's officer, and she cannot make up "old enough." Miss Vera Patey (*Lady Betty*) and Miss Nellie Arline (*Lady Phyllis*) have subordinate parts, but each does well in her degree. It was, moreover, easy to ascertain, from Miss Patey's theatrical mannerism and other accomplishments, that she is an actress of ability, and we may reasonably expect to see her in better parts during the season. Among the actors it is difficult to say who is most popular. Our old friend Sheridan, who played *Lurcher*, the ballad, was very heartily greeted when he made his appearance. His fund of humor and innocent "puns," such as "little typhoons," "mum," raised many a ripple of laughter. As a

vocalist, though, Mr. H. M. Inman, as *Curry Sherwood*, was undoubtedly the favorite. His magnificent baritone was heard to full advantage in the "Queen of my heart," and to him was largely due the frequent repetitions which the audience insisted upon. His impersonation of the wild blade of last century was most finished. Not quite so much could be said of Mr. Charles Fisher's *Geoffrey Hamlyn*. His tenor was only really heard at its best once or twice during the evening, and there were occasional incongruities in his acting, such as smiling when he pretends that his cash-box has been robbed. But on the whole he made a favorable impression, and he has lovely eyes, which excuse most faults. As he commits. As an unexceptionable, conscientious representation, Mr. C. Stutch's *Squire Hamlyn* was thorough. *Tom Strutt*, the ploughman who marries *Phyllis*, appeared in an erratic way at intervals, was played by Mr. Whiffen Cripps, the second tenor. He sings fairly well, his hunting song being very well rendered. Mr. H. H. Harg, as *John Tuppi*, made the best of a minor part. The orchestra was confined to a piano, which somewhat detracted from the effect, but this was lessened by the skill with which it was played by Mr. S. A. Robertson, under whose conductors the trios, quartets, &c., were sung in perfect harmony. Not a hitch marred the performance. One word in addition as regards the general attire of the artists. The general effect was undoubtedly pleasing; for the respective habiliments in which the actors and particularly the actresses appeared, left nothing to be desired as regards fit, quality and historical associations. In conclusion, we would say that the company is, in its entirety, the best we have ever had here, the respective members being all trained artists. The thanks of the community are certainly due to Mr. Willard for his pluck in organizing a venture of this magnitude and in bringing it to a successful issue to any other part of the East. *Dorothy* will be reproduced to-morrow night.

THE COLONIAL SURGEON ON THE HEALTH OF THE COLONY.

The following is an extract from Dr. Ayres' Report for the year 1887 published in the *Gazette*:—

HEALTH OF THE COLONY.

Table X.W. shows the rate of mortality amongst European and American residents in Hong Kong for the last ten years, from all causes of disease. The number and percentage are the highest ever recorded, although during the year previous we had a light cholera epidemic. In 1887 small-pox became epidemic but the mortality from this disease in no way accounts for the increased death rate. In 1887 the deaths were 138 as compared with 103 in 1876 and 99 in 1885. The percentage of deaths to the population is 4.54 nearly doubling the average of the previous ten years. [Dr. Ayres writes that he has made a mistake in this paragraph. The deaths in 1887 were 103, not 138, and the percentage 3.55, not 4.54.]

I give below the bills of mortality for the fourteen years that I have been in the Colony, among the Europeans and Chinese, as registered in Hong Kong, from diseases that may be among other causes attributable to insanitary homes, filth, poison, and overcrowding. As against the increased percentage of deaths from all causes it is satisfactory to note that the percentage from preventable diseases is still diminishing, though the population is increasing so rapidly from year to year.

In respect of those diseases which may owe their origin to insanitary conditions, we see that the European table of deaths keeps about the same average, while the Chinese table shows a very marked reduction, in fact the latter has never been so low for the previous ten years. The improved methods of surface scavenging and the thorough cleansing of tenements at certain periods, insisted on by the Sanitary Board for the last three years, appear to be doing a great amount of practical good. In 1886 there was a decrease in this table of nearly 400 deaths as compared with 1885; this year there is another decrease of 400 deaths as compared with 1886. With these facts before us the Sanitary Board must have every reason to be satisfied with the result of their work in the practical sanitation of the town, although their best efforts will be, I fear, but of little comparative avail until their hands are strengthened by the new Public Health Ordinance, which is very deeply to be regretted that it has not yet been brought into operation.

During 1887-8 fever has prevailed extensively in the extreme Western District along the upper levels of Victoria, and a Medical Commission has been appointed by His Excellency the Governor to enquire into the nature and cause of the disease and to suggest preventive measures. This Commission has not yet submitted its Report.

In November, a very serious outbreak of small-pox occurred; there were 15 deaths among Europeans and 432 deaths among Chinese from this cause up to the end of the year. There was for a time a very large demand for vaccine, and the latter was telegraphed for to Japan, Australia, and England. The calf-lymph procured from Japan was found admirably put up for travelling, it arrived in excellent condition, and was effective and satisfactory.

The small-pox epidemic was severe while it lasted, and necessitated the building of a temporary mat Hospital with 100 beds in the Government Civil Hospital. So large was the number of admissions that it reached 50 cases in Hospital at one time. Thanks to the precautions and the energetic measures taken by the Sanitary Board, this epidemic was not of long duration. An Ordinance for the compulsory vaccination of infants has since been passed, and it will be interesting to see whether it can be successfully enforced among the Chinese population.

As the Government Medical Staff of the Colony at present stands, each member of it has his full complement of work, and there is no relief possible in case of emergency, except from outside sources, which cannot always be depended upon. If any member of the Medical Staff falls sick there is no one to take his place. None of us can take vacation leave without great personal loss, as according to the Rules of the Service every officer absent on furlough, has to find a substitute. The finding of a substitute is feasible in almost every other Department without detriment to the individual who takes his leave, for there is always some brother officer in the service who can take his place, or his limited hours of duty render it possible for him to find outside assistance. With the Medical Department, however, such is not the case. The duties require the incumbent of the office to be on duty at all times night and day, and there is no one in the Service that can relieve him. The Army Medical Department have hitherto come to our relief, but this cooperation cannot always be depended on, as from want of work, sickness, or other cause, the Army Medical Staff may be short of hands themselves. If therefore the recent recommendation of the Sanitary Board in favour of an Epidemic Hospital outside of the town be carried out, it would be absolutely necessary to obtain the permanent service of an additional Surgeon.—

PH. D. C. AYRES,
Colonial Surgeon.

The Hon. F. Stewart, Colonial Secretary.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.]

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

SIR,—Is it not comical that you cannot get a cheque cashed at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited under twenty minutes? Unfortunately my visits to this institution are somewhat angelic, few and far between, but they never do occur without my having to wait an unconscionable time after handing the cheque to the so-called cashier [a misnomer for he has no cash unless he has got a few dollars in his pocket]. The idea always strikes me what this office would do if they had to face a fourth of the month such as we have in London or indeed any of the moderate sized towns at home; surely they would require to raise up another Joshua amongst them who could command the sun to stop still for three weeks—twenty-four hours would be no good. I trust the powers that be will hurry up matters a little, for our city has arrived at that stage that time is money.

Yours, &c.,

LOMBARD STREET.

Hongkong, July 16th, 1888.

THE YOKOHAMA ENGINE AND IRON WORKS, LIMITED.

The following is the Report and Accounts to be presented to the first yearly General Meeting of the shareholders, to be held at the Chamber of Commerce Room, on Tuesday, the 10th day of July, 1888, at 4 o'clock, p.m.:

The Directors have pleasure in submitting the annexed Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts for the year ending May 31st, 1888, and in congratulating the shareholders on the successful result of the first year's working of the Company.

On reference to the accounts, it will be observed that after writing off depreciation on plant and buildings to May 31st, 1888, and paying an interim dividend of 5 per cent. for the half year ending Nov. 30th, 1887, there remained a net profit for the year of \$19,327.40.

From this amount the Directors recommend a dividend of 5 per cent. for the last half year (making in all 10 per cent. for the year ending May 31st, 1888) which will absorb \$6,000, leaving a balance of \$13,327.40. Of this sum the Directors recommend that \$10,000 be placed to reserve fund, and the balance of \$3,327.40 be carried forward to next account. The legal expenses and cost of registering the Company at Hongkong have yet to be paid, the account not having been received.

The Company has recently purchased at Kobe the most valuable water frontage available for foreigners in Japan; also certain Buildings, Engineering Stores and Plant situated thereon. AMP's surplus machinery and tools now on hand at Yokohama (required to operate the Kobe works for their full extent) will be sent there, and no increase of capital will be required to place the Company in possession of a very valuable establishment at that port.

The Directors confidently look forward to a large increase in the earning power of the Company in the near future from this source.

Directors.—In accordance with Art. No. 74 of the Articles of Association, Messrs. C. D. H. Huan and J. S. Van Buren retire from the Board and do not offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—Messrs. H. A. Herbert and O. Keil retire, but offer themselves for re-election for the current year.

GEO. CHARLESWORTH,

Secretary.

Yokohama, 6th July, 1888.

Dr. BALANCE SHEET.—31ST MAY, 1888.

To Capital, 1,300 Shares @ \$100	\$130,000.00
To Bills payable	68.42
To Wages unpaid (for May)	578.91
To Suspense Account	914.86
To Profit and Loss, balance	19,327.40
	\$151,529.59

By Cash at Bankers

By Cash at Bankers	\$10,518.25
By Cash on hand	205.60
	\$10,723.85

By Property Account

By Property Account	\$17,661.00
By Working Plant	5,205.28
By Stock as per Inventory	60,511.25
	133,027.53

By Insurance, Unexpired Policies

By Insurance, Unexpired Policies	486.28
By Bills Receivable	7,240.93
	\$151,529.59

Dr. PROFIT AND LOSS.—31ST MAY, 1888.

To Amounts written off:—	
Depreciation on Plant, Tools, &c.	\$2,831.57
Depreciation on Buildings	900.00
	\$3,731.57

Interim Dividend paid for half year ending Nov. 30th, 1887

Interim Dividend paid for half year ending Nov. 30th, 1887	6,000.00
Balance	19,327.40
	\$25,557.97

By Net Profit for the Year Ending 31st May, 1888, transferred from Working Account

By Net Profit for the Year Ending 31st May, 1888, transferred from Working Account	\$29,558.97
	\$29,558.97

GEO. CHARLESWORTH,

Secretary.

We have examined the foregoing accounts and compared them with the books and vouchers in the possession of the Company, and find them to be correct.

H. A. HERBERT,

O. Keil,

Yokohama, 6th July, 1888.

NEWS BY THE FRENCH MAIL.

The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Natal*, Capt. Such, with the French mail of the 15th ult., arrived in harbour this afternoon. We take the subjoined items from the *London and China Express*:—

The *Myosine*, with the first new season's tea from Hankow, arrived at Suva on the 14th June the same date as she reached last year. She may be expected at Gravesend on the 25th the similar date to her arrival last season.

In the House of Commons on the report of Amendments to the National Debt Bill being read, Mr. Goschen stated that out of a total of £599,000,000 of the Three per cent. Consols, about £47,000,000 had not been converted. The third reading of the Bill was fixed for the 15th June.

The Berlin correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* remarks that diplomats all prophesy peace for this and, perhaps, next year, but events are possible which might in a very much shorter time alter the whole situation for the worse. He urges England, however, to at once look to her arms and navy, and see that they are maintained in an efficient state.

In the House of Lords, the Lord Chancellor called attention on June 14th to the Companies

Act, and presented a Bill the main object of which is to afford the public somewhat more security than they have at present against bubble companies by requiring a better system of registration and more substantial guarantees as to capital. The Bill was read a first time.

Mr. Jackson, in moving the second reading of the Customs (Wine Duty) Bill, said the Bill would exempt still wines altogether from the bottle wine tax. The Government of the French Republic had been no contributions to the French Government; and though he had had one or two conversations with the French Minister, they were entirely unofficial.—The Bill was read a second time.

Telegrams from China report the Silk market still unopened, and that prices in the interior are tending upwards to extreme figures. On the part of the natives seems to confirm their belief in a short supply. The feeling on the Continent appears to be changing as to the final result of their crop, the very hot weather having caused some slight damage. Deliveries from June 1 to 14 are 573 China, 41 Japan, 118 Canton, 145 Tussah—total, 947 bales.

In the Tea market an expectant attitude is predominant, current business being on the smallest scale. What demand exists is for good Tea, and the small supplies of new 1 lb. tins have sold at satisfactory prices. With advances of a short first crop at Hankow, and the scarcity of fine Tea, prospects fully improve. Indian and Ceylon Tea exhibit a dropping tendency for the lower grades and imperfectly manufactured leaf, but full rates are paid for desirable quality.

The Tsar and the Imperial Family will shortly make a tour of inspection to the Finland Archipelago, and the Imperial visit to the south and to the Caucasus will be undertaken towards the end of the summer. Contrary to some statements made in the French newspapers, the Russian Government will take no part, officially or unofficially, in the Paris Exhibition of 1889. The committee formed at St. Petersburg to promote the participation of Russian firms is of an essentially private character.

M. Carnot attended a banquet given on the 9th inst. in the Pavillon of the City of Paris

the convention will not go outside of those who will be placed in nomination."

"How about Blaine?"

"I understand that he is not a candidate. I consider him the leader of the Republican party, and as such has thousands of friends, many of whom are now here. However, I do not anticipate that in the face of his disavowals his friends will think of placing his name before the convention."

"Are you a candidate?"

"I am still standing by the letter I wrote some months ago, in which I declined to be so described."

PARIS, June 17th.

Whatever interest in politics remains in Paris this week is centered on the election in Charente, which will take place on Sunday next, for by the result of that election will be made clear how matters stand with Boulanger. He will stand or fall with Deroulede, whom he has described as his candidate; "To vote for Paul Deroulede is to vote for me." If Deroulede is beaten, as the chance appears at present to be, Boulanger, who has been sinking dreadfully of late, will fall like Lucifer. If, on the other hand, the patriotic candidate beats the Government, we may look out for squalls. The Government is straining every nerve to effect the defeat of Deroulede. His election, it is considered, would be practically a challenge to Germany, as Deroulede is the avowed champion of *la revanche*, and the sad event which has just taken place in Berlin will render it extremely dangerous to provoke Germany. "The election of Deroulede coinciding with the accession of Prince William to the throne, would multiply the chances of war at an early date a hundred-fold." These were the words of an ex-Minister at a Lyons dinner Saturday night.

The Government, from Carnot downward, would sacrifice anything to avoid war, partly because the result of defeat would kill the republic, and partly because the heart of France is so entirely set on holding its great exhibition in celebration of the Revolution. This explains the extraordinary energy which it is displaying to defeat Deroulede.

Carnot has definitely selected the Palace of Fontainebleau as his summer residence, and in consequence much of the Parisian fashion will transplant itself thither. Mme. Carnot promises some charming fete, for which the magnificent galleries of the palace and the gardens and park will be very suitable.

Among members of the American colony who were presented at the English Embassy at Lord Lytton's reception in honor of President Carnot were Consul-General and Mrs. Rathbone, Miss McLaine, Mrs. Chapman, Dr. Oscar Jennings and Mr. Meyer. As usual the American ladies, to whom the President paid marked attention, were noticeable for the beauty of their toilets.

It is said in Paris that next to a Parisienne an American lady knows best how to dress, and this season at the Concourse Hippique, the Fete des Fleurs, and the Grand Prix, might be said to still more flatter.

Another Franco-American marriage will take place shortly. The bride this time will be Miss A. Klunyski, a sister of Miss Klunyski, the artist whose picture of three washerwomen was noticeable at the Salon this year. The Klunyskis are from San Francisco, but have been long established in Paris.

Circus men here are much exercised over the announcement that Mexican Joe is bringing his show to Paris. The circus will be set up at the Porte Maillot. Young Molier and his fashionable following of amateur riders will be Mexican Joe's steadfast patrons, and look to his arrival with great interest.

Sharpshooter Baughmann, an American, is also doing well at the Folies Bergeres, considering how closely the field was harvested a few years ago by Dr. Carver.

A petition drawn up by the Peace Society here to be laid before the Chamber of Deputies was before the public for signature three months ago. The object is to secure a treaty between France and America, that all differences which may arise between these two countries hereafter shall be settled by arbitration. This petition has already been signed by 300,000 persons.

The Louvre scandal is greatly interesting to the American colony, among the members of which Herriot was well known and much liked. Colonel Herriot has fallen another victim to a kind of mania which is exclusively Parisian, resulting from the high pressure that obtains in this city and which has carried off such men as Gill, Raymond, Scillere and many others. The chief sufferer by the incident, however, is Boulanger, whose most ardent supporter was Colonel Herriot. Colonel Herriot, it is said, backed many of Boulanger's newspapers, which will necessarily come to grief.

One dog in Paris continues to defy police prescriptions. This dog has been a well-known character on the Boulevard for the past six years, and is familiar sight to every visitor to the capital. He is a large brute with a black spot on his eye, and is known as "The Orphan," or "Black-Eye." He owns no master, and believes in perfect liberty. He takes his food in the best cafes, and sleeps under the benches of fashionable establishments. He loathes everything common, frequents only the best society, invariably shows himself at all fashionable outdoor gatherings, such as races, and grows at once approachable when he dressed in evening dress. This canine snob has been traded twenty times over to unsuspecting strangers interested in his character, by waiters at various cafes which he patronizes. As soon as the deal is completed the dog absconds.

Fashion this year admits for the first time of pure white materials. The latest craze, however, for outdoor wear is shot silk, over which black silk muslin is draped. Hats are being made of black tulle, in the shape of conical, forming a veritable hanging garden of artificial flowers. The ladies have this week been flocking to see dresses destined for the Queen of Wurtemberg, which have been on show at a leading dress-maker's here. The first of these is of white silk muslin, with changing lights of pink and blue. The bottom of the skirt is trimmed with lace. The jacket is of pale gray crepe de chine, worked with silver lace. It goes over the dress and is veiled with a fichu of silk muslin, leaving the neck and collar bare. The collar is cut in the style known as *Notre Dame de Thermidor*. The sleeves are of gray crepe de chine, long, in the magicienne style, with protruding undersleeves of plaid silk muslin. The second costume is of verdigris colored peau de sole, covered with gray lace. The skirt is draped with verdigris colored draperies, trimmed with Louis XV silver lace, and embroidered with pale-colored flowers. The jacket is tight-fitting, is of green peau de sole of a lighter hue, with buttons of Sax porcelain and a plastron of lace. The parasol which goes with this costume is of verdigris color, with insertions of lace and silk muslin plaits.

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Lord Robert Grosvenor, son of the Duke of Westminster, has died at Constantinople, of typhoid fever.

ROME, June 18th.

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Bayne of Pennsylvania opposed this, and Henderson withdrew his motion and moved to permanent organization. Agreed to.

Governor Foster of Ohio, chairman of the Committee on Permanent Organization, then read the unanimous report of the committee. He was given an enthusiastic reception by the audience, and as he stated that M. M. Estee of California had been selected for permanent chairman the cheering broke forth afresh. The report was adopted without dissent.

The Chair appointed Governor Foster of Ohio, Senator Foley of Nevada and George H. Sloan of New York a committee to escort Estee to the platform.

When Estee appeared and was introduced by the chairman the convention applauded with enthusiastic applause.

"*Centennial of the Constitution*," I thank you in the name of the States and Territories of the Pacific coast, as well as from my own heart, for the distinguished honor you have seen fit to confer upon me. I appreciate to the fullest extent the responsibilities devolving on me, and it being a Republican convention, I shall in all things ask its charitable judgment and its candid and earnest support.

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STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Thibet	Bombay	July 25th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Zambesi	Vancouver	July 30th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Venice	Bombay	July 31st	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Batavia	Vancouver	August 1st.	Adamson, Bell & Co.

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DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, via Suez Canal.	Ajax	Butterfield & Swire	July 21st, at 4 p.m.
London, via Suez Canal.	Chingwa	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	About July 20th.
London and Hamburg.	Merionethshire	Adamson, Bell & Co.	About July 30th.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Saghalien	Messageries Maritimes	July 19th, at noon.
Bremen, & Ports of Call.	Prussen	Melchers & Co.	Aug. 2nd, at 10 a.m.
Genoa, & Ports of Call.	Bisagno	Carlowitz & Co.	July 19th, at 10 a.m.
Genoa, & Ports of Call.	Cassadio	Siemssen & Co.	July 23rd, at 10 a.m.
New York, via Suez Canal.	Monmouthshire	Adamson, Bell & Co.	July 21st.
San Francisco, via V'ham	City of Sydney	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	July 19th, at 3 p.m.
San Francisco, via V'ham	Oceanic	O. & O. S. S. Co.	July 28th, at 3 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via K. &c.	Albany	Adamson, Bell & Co.	July 26th, at 3 p.m.
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Bangkok	Deuteros	Ah Von & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
Yokohama and Kobe	Polyhymnia	Siemssen & Co.	To-morrow, at noon.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Natal	Messageries Maritimes	To-morrow, at 1 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Saghalien	Luthefield & Swire	July 19th, daylight.
Shanghai	Peking	Siemssen & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
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DATE.	WIND.	TEMPERATURE.
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17th July.	W. 10-12.	75-85.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE CANADIAN MAILS.

The steamer *Zambesi*, with the Canadian mail, left Vancouver on the 1st instant, and is expected here on or about the 30th.

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DEPARTURE. British steamer, 2,022, P. W. Case, 16th July, Bombay 30th June, and Singapore 11th July, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co. SAGHALIEN, French steamer, 2,580, Homery, 17th July, Yokohama, and Shanghai 14th July. Mails and General.—Messageries Maritimes.

PEKING, German steamer, 954, Heuermann, 17th July, Whampoa 17th July, General.—Siemssen & Co.

NINGPO, German steamer, 762, Sadevasier, 17th July, Shanghai 12th July, General.—Siemssen & Co.

SARAPEDON, British steamer, 1,591, Chimes, 17th July, Liverpool, and Singapore 11th July, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

COMET, German ship, 1,083, Kauppner, 17th July, Cardiff 4th April, Coals.—Order.

PHRA CHULA CHOM KHAO, British steamer, 1,711, A. Benson, 17th July, Bangkok 11th July, Rice and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

FUSHUN, Chinese steamer, 1,503, W. Croad, 17th July, Shanghai 12th July, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

NATAL, French steamer, 3,838, Such, 17th July, Marseilles 17th June, Alexandria 22nd, Port Said 23rd, Suez 24th, Aden 28th, Colombo 3th July, Singapore 11th, and Saigon 14th, Mails and General.—Messageries Maritimes.

DEPARTURES. British steamer, for Swatow, &c., *Formosa*, British steamer, for Amoy, &c., *Achra*, British steamer, for Singapore, &c., *Kitsung*, British steamer, for Amoy, &c., *Sarpedon*, British steamer, for Amoy, &c., *Actio*, Danish steamer, for Hoihow.

Marie, German steamer, for Haiphong.

Electric, American bark, for San Francisco.

DEPARTURES. July 16, *Triumph*, German steamer, for Saigon.

July 17, *Tinian*, British str., for Sydney, &c.

July 17, *Guthrie*, British steamer, for Port Darwin, &c.

July 17, *Hever*, German steamer, for Tientsin.

July 17, *Sochohu*, British steamer, for Hoihow.

July 17, *Wolf*, German gunboat, for Amoy.

July 17, *Kulang*, British steamer, for Shanghai.

July 17, *Kiang*, British str., for Singapore, &c.

July 17, *Formosa*, British str., for Amoy, &c.

July 17, *Mongkut*, British str., for Swatow, &c.

July 17, *General Werder*, German steamer, for Yokohama.

July 17, *Malua*, British str., for Nagasaki, &c.

ARRIVALS. Per *Fushun*, str., from Shanghai.—Mr. New-

comb, and 88 Chinese.

Per *Phra Chula Chom Khao*, str., from Bangkok.—37 Chinese.

Per *Deccan*, str., from Bombay, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. Robertson, Colonel Badgley, Mr. S. L. Leak and native servant, and 31 Chinese.

Per *Ningpo*, str., from Shanghai.—10 Chinese.

Per *Sarpedon*, str., from Singapore, &c.—468 Chinese.

Per *Saghalien*, str., from Shanghai.—For Hongkong.—Mrs. and Miss Alves and servant, Dr. A. G. Smith, and Mr. C. Tournier.

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From Yokohama for Marseilles.—Mr. and Mrs. Narabura Cono, Mr. and Mrs. Uyeno Takakura, Mr. and Mrs. Hidaka Mourata, Messrs. Sengoku, Kikawa, Lavary, Kata, Shibata, and Konoki.

Per *Natal*, str., from Marseilles.—For Hongkong.—Mr. and Mrs. Brockford, Mr. Lo Tsang Ming, Mrs. Rose's servant, For Colombo.—Rev. Frere Vincent.

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From Saigon.—Messrs. Yuen Benoit and H. Sum, and 233 Chinese.

From Singapore for Kobe.—Mr. and Mrs. Tan Ah Ham and 2 infants, and Mr. Teo Ton Kean.

From Marseilles for Yokohama.—Mr. Makamura Hiroyasu (Japan Minister), and Mrs. M. Hiroyasu, Messrs. F. Moda, Iwai, P. Kuta, S. Hatori, Totzuka, G. Hamoda, Ito Glimber, and V. Gay.

DEPARTED. Per *Tinian*, str., for Sydney.—3 Europeans.

Per *Sochohu*, str., for Hoihow.—100 Chinese.

Per *Guthrie*, steamer, for Port Darwin.—Dr. Coward, Miss Coward, Mr. Finney, and 2 Europeans (steerage).

Per *Mongkut*, str., for Swatow, &c.—150 Chinese.